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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL PURSUANT  
TO 37 CFR § 1.114**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR § 1.114

Previously submitted

Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on . (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on .

Other: .

Enclosed

Amendment/Reply under 37 CFR § 1.116

Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

Other: Associate Power of Attorney executed by John W. Caldwell

## 2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of      months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three (3) months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)

## FEE CALCULATION:

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER RCE	HIGHEST NO. PAID FOR	EXTRA	\$385.00	\$385.00	\$770.00	\$
TOTAL CLAIMS	28	92 (20 MINIMUM)	0	\$9 EACH	\$0	\$18 EACH	\$
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	19 (3 MINIMUM)	0	\$43 EACH	\$0	\$86 EACH	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT				\$145	\$0	\$290	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$55	\$0	\$110	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$210	\$0	\$420	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$475	\$0	\$950	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FOUR MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME				\$740	\$0	\$1480	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME (May only be taken when filing RCE in lieu of Appeal Brief)				\$1005	\$00	\$2010	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> LESS ANY EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID				minus	(\$0)	minus	(\$ )
<input type="checkbox"/> TERMINAL DISCLAIMER				\$55	\$0	\$110	\$
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A response to the      dated      was due on      . Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) to extend the time period for response from      to and through      comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of      month(s).

A Notice of Appeal was filed . An Appeal Brief is due on . Applicants are filing this Request for Continued Examination in lieu of this Appeal Brief. Petition is hereby made to extend the time period from to and through comprising a total extension of month(s).

The Commissioner is hereby requested to grant an extension of time for the appropriate length of time, should one be necessary, in connection with this filing or any future filing submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified application during the pendency of this application. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fees related to any such extension of time to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is provided in duplicate.

The Commission is hereby authorized to charge payment of the above fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is attached in duplicate.

**SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR** with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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